

## North Country Master Gardener Volunteers

### Minutes 4.22.21

The meeting was called to order by President, Roseann Meixelsperger at 5:30 p.m. CST

Present: Jill Fries, Sandy Niewinski, Laird Niewinski, Pam Davies, Jessie Crane, Linda Anderson, Roseann Meixelsperger, Terri Johnson, Sue Reinardy, Phil Holman, Lorraine Toman, Kevin Schoessow, Janet Mangold

1. Secretary's Report: A motion was made by Jill Fries and seconded by Sandy Niewinski to approve the March 25, 2021, minutes. Motion approved.
2. Treasurer's Report: Roseann gave the treasurer's report. The beginning of April balance was \$730.22, there were two donations of \$15 and \$500; leaving a balance of \$1,245.22.
3. Greenhouse Update: Laird, Susan Richter, and Roseann started seeds in the reopened greenhouse. A watering schedule is being set-up.
4. Plant Sale has been cancelled due to COVID concerns as of the April 5 Board of Directors' meeting.
5. COVID protocols have only been slightly modified.
6. Teaching & Display Garden – AAS theme is "Diversity in the Garden", NCMGV will not be entering the contest but will use the theme as appropriate. Roseann will manage the Children's Garden; a volunteer(s) is needed for the Sensory Garden. Sandy will send out separately all volunteer opportunities. Roseann will provide a list of the plants that have been started from AAS seeds. A planting day will be set-up (usually early June.)
7. The NCMGV member handbook was sent out mid-April to all current members and included the updated by-laws.
8. Linda Anderson reported on four horticulture inquires: (1) shrubs for a hillside, (2) crabapples, (3) dead white pine, and (4) how to plant sunflower seeds.
9. Onboarding Lite is now available via Canvas for all current MGVs. You will need a NetID to enter the system – look for an email from "noreply@welcome.csis.wisc.edu" with the subject line, "UW-Madison: Access Your Online Course Site" .You must activate your NetID and make a password by following the instructions. The login link is: <https://login.wisc.edu/idp/profile/SAML2/Redirect/SSO?execution=e1s2>
10. There are two volunteer requests involving children. It appears that these may be approved for MGV involvement since they are sponsored by other organizations (Spooner Schools and Lakeland Primary Resource Center). Sandy will send out information for potential volunteers.
11. Phil Holman provided a presentation on the history and activities at the Research Station. Meeting participants can record 45 minutes for Continuing Education for this presentation.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Reinardy